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AMENDMENT TO  
TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR  
AD HOC PANEL B

These Terms of Reference Were Approved by Action of  
the Psychological Strategy Board on January 31, 1952.  
The Board Directed that the PSB Panel: (a) Undertake  
the Strategic Aspects of the Job; and (b) Delineate the  
Specific Tactical Tasks and Indicate Their Allocation to  
Operating Agencies.

These Terms of Reference for Sub-Panels B-I Supersede  
Sub-Paragraphs 1 b and 4 b of Terms of Reference for  
Ad Hoc Panel "B" (Revised), August 29, 1951.

For the Director:

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Executive Officer

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TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR SUB-PANEL B-1

(Inventory - Second Stage)

1. Problem: To recommend steps which the United States (and its Allies) can take in future to frustrate Soviet bloc blackmail tactics of the kind we faced in the siege of Berlin, the  case and the imprisonment of American flyers in Hungary.

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2. Objectives: The work should be concentrated on hitherto neglected means of pressure and persuasion. In this stage the Panel should concentrate on not more than ten ways in which we might be able to influence Soviet conduct.

- a. In particular, the Panel should study and make recommendations on the following possibilities:

- (1) What can be done through United States (and Allied) control of the seas, international waterways, coaling stations, etc.?

- (a) What can be done to hamper and delay Soviet bloc merchant shipping, fishing fleets, whalers, crews?

- (b) What are the problems and risks of intercepting Soviet bloc shipping on the high seas?

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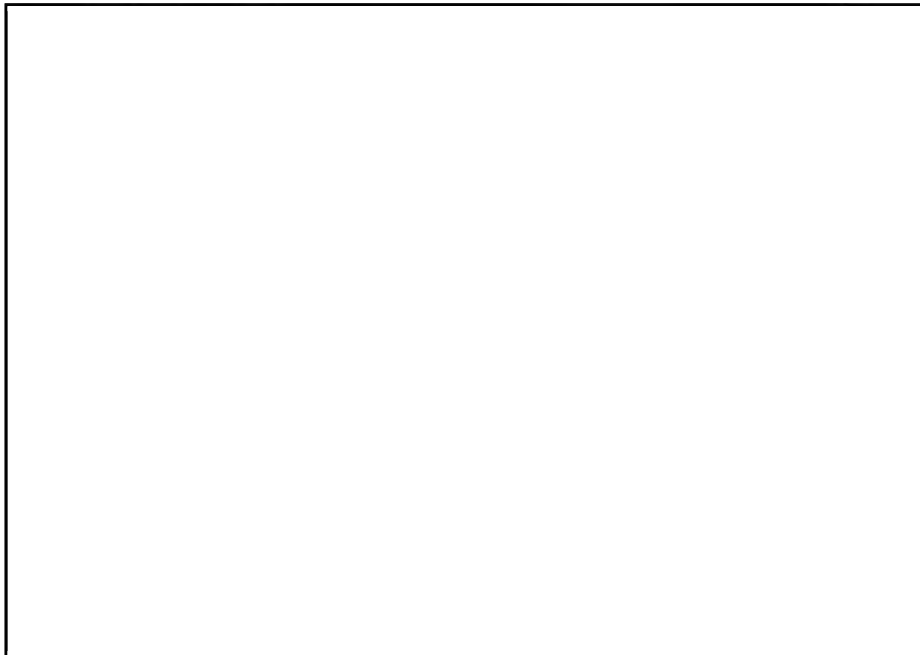
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- (5) What measures of harassment can profitably be taken against Soviet bloc nationals within the United States (and Allied countries)?
- b. In examining these and other possibilities, the Panel should take into account Soviet bloc capabilities of retaliation.

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